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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO THE BICENTENNIAL MESSAGE OF THE AMIR  
OF THE STATE OF KUWAIT

1. FYI: THE PRESIDENT HAS RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING BICENTENNIAL GREETING FROM THE AMIR: "ON THE AUSPICIOUS OCCASION OF THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE, I WISH ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF KUWAIT TO CONVEY TO YOU, MR. PRESIDENT, AND TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE OUR WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES FOR CONTINUED HAPPINESS AND WELFARE. MAY THIS GREAT HISTORIC EVENT AND THE SPIRIT WHICH CHARACTERIZED THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE EVER REMAIN A SOURCE OF INSPIRATION TO YOU AND TO ALL FREEDOM LOVING PEOPLE, AND MAY THE FRIENDSHIP STEADILY DEVELOPING BETWEEN THE USA AND ARAB WORLD CONTINUE TO GROW AND BE REINFORCED, WITH MY WARM PERSONAL GREETINGS, SABAH ALSALEM ALSABAH AMIR OF KUWAIT." END FYI.

2. FOLLOWING RESPONSE FROM PRESIDENT FORD SHOULD BE  
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DELIVERED TO THE AMIR: YOUR HIGHNESS, ON BEHALF OF THE

AMERICAN PEOPLE, MRS. FORD AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR MOST  
WELCOME MESSAGE OF GOOD WISHES ON THE COMMEMORATION OF THE  
200TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR NATION'S INDEPENDENCE.

" - - -

AS WE ENTER OUR THIRD CENTURY, THE UNITED STATES REDEDI-  
CATES ITSELF IN WORD AND DEED TO THE PRINCIPLES OF LIBERTY,  
EQUALITY AND INDIVIDUAL DIGNITY. WE DO SO WITH THE ANTI-  
CIPATION AND CONFIDENCE THAT RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR  
COUNTRIES WILL CONTINUE TO FLOURISH. SINCERELY, GERALD  
R. FORD.

3. NO RELEASE INTENDED, BUT NO OBJECTION IF RECIPIENT  
WISHES TO DO SO.  
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